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REQUEST for Total Pages Attorney Docket No. SFT-101. CONTINUED EXAMINATION Application Number 09/484,861 Filing Date 01/18/2000 (RCE) First Named Inventor TRANSMITTAL FORM JEFFREY K. WILKINS Group Art Unit Subsection (b) of 35 USC 132, effective May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of an utility or plant 3623 application filed on or after June 8, 1995. Examiner ROBINSON BOYCE, AKIBA K See the American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

IS IS A HEQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (HCE) UNDER 37 CFH 1.114 OF The above -IDENTIFIED application. 16:37 CFR 1.114 is effective on May 29,2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to itsider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 CFR 1.53 (d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term ustrient provisions of the AIPA. See changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice Interim Rule, 85 Fed. Reg. 385 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz.Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 13, 2000), which established RCE practice
Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114
a. [X] Previously submitted
i. [X] Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR 1.116 previously filed on January 10, 2003
ii. [] Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on
iii.[] Other
D.[] Enclosed 755-180
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ii. [] Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
iii. [] Information Disclosure Statement
iv.[] Other
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b.[] Other
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